

# The Interim: Is it what you want?

**Legislators  
Speak Up**

## Part 2

Survey  
Summary

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In the fall of 2019, the Legislative Services Division emailed a survey about interim activities to 150 current legislators.\*

\*92 Responded (61%)



**I would rank  
the value of  
relationships  
built during  
the interim  
as...**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Relationships with nonpartisan  
staff.

**1<sup>st</sup>**

Relationships  
with other  
legislators.

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Relationships with executive and  
judicial branch officials.

**... so say  
62%**



# **I would rank the best way to study issues that span more than one interim committee or agency as...**

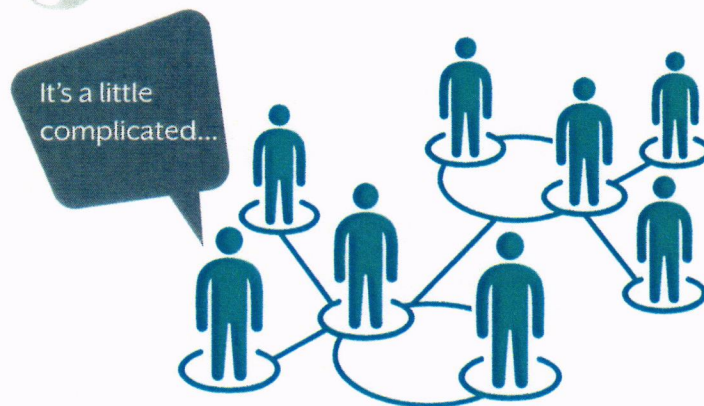
**1** Form a subcommittee of the affected interim committees that reports to those committees

**2** Affected interim committees should decide on case-by-case basis

**3** Form a special committee separate from existing interim committees

**4** Allow affected interim committees study the topic on its own

**5** Seek guidance from Legislative Council





**What should be the work priorities of an interim committee?**

Coming in with **45%** saying it is #1 (drum roll)...

**1** Complete studies passed by Legislature

**2** Perform oversight of executive branch agencies

**3** Study topics of interest to the committee

Thanks to all my fans... I owe this all to you!!



**I would rank the possible outcomes of an interim committee...**

**1<sup>st</sup>**

Draft committee legislation for next session.

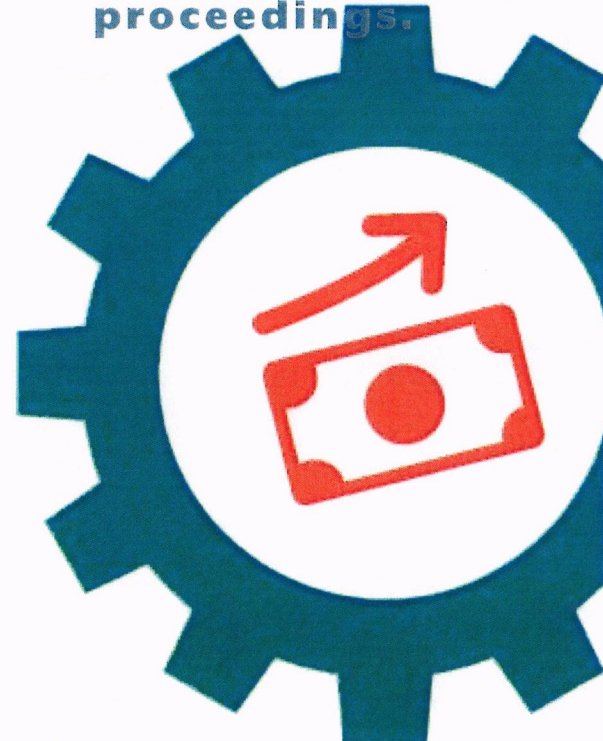
**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Develop a working knowledge of various state programs.

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Address constituent concerns in the committee's policy area.

**Fiscal policy is adequately addressed during interim committee proceedings.**



**9%** Strongly Agreed  
**47%** Somewhat Agreed  
**31%** Somewhat Disagreed  
**14%** Strongly Disagreed